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SUBJECT: F-5 SALE TO SUDAN: CONSULTATION WITH WESTERN
ALLIES

1. ON JANUARY 11, WILLIAM LEWIS, DIRECTOR OF AF/I,
CHAIRMAN A MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE EMBASSIES
OF BRITAIN, WEST GERMANY, FRANCE, BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS,
ITALY AND CANADA REGARDING U.S. ARMS SALES POLICY TO
SUDAN. LEWIS REVIEWED THE HISTORY OF THE C-130 AND PRO-
POSED F-5 SALE, AND OUTLINED THE FINDINGS OF THE JOINT
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STATE/DEFENSE SURVEY TEAM. HE EMPHASIZED THE MUTUAL
INTEREST OF THE U.S. AND SUDAN IN ESTABLISHING A DIVERSI-
FIED MILITARY SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT FROM THE VARIOUS
WESTERN SUPPLIER NATIONS.

2. THE EMBASSY REPS ASKED ABOUT BOTH SPECIFICS OF THE
U.S. ARMS PROGRAMS AND WHAT EQUIPMENT THEIR COUNTRIES

MIGHT HOPE TO SELL. THEY ALSO ASKED GENERAL QUESTIONS ON POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN SUDAN. LEWIS OFFERED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAM SHOULD THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE SUBSEQUENT QUESTIONS.

3. UNLESS CERTAIN WESTERN NATIONS WISH FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE U.S. ARMS SALES TO SUDAN, DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL JOINT CONSULTATIONS ON THIS ISSUE. CHRISTOPHE R

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